
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

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NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, April 19, 2023

TIME: 4:00 PM

PLACE: Room 35 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

House Bill No. [5042](#)

BY Casimiro, Noret, Vella-Wilkinson, Solomon, Casey, Baginski, Carson, McEntee

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE --

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT {LC122/1} (Provides for an appropriation of state funds to cities and towns who are members of the Narragansett Bay marine task force (NBMTF) for the maintenance of boats providing services to Narragansett Bay.)

01/11/2023 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5095](#)

BY Morales, Baginski, Vella-Wilkinson, Carson, Speakman, Henries, Chippendale, Potter, Tanzi, Felix

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LIBRARIES -- STATE AID TO LIBRARIES {LC277/1}

(Requires that the state's share to public libraries be fixed at twenty-five percent (25%) of the amount appropriated by the city or town in their budgets for fiscal year 2023, utilizing funds from the general fund or the American Rescue Plan Act.)

01/12/2023 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5144](#)

BY Cotter, Casimiro

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- STATE AID {LC627/1}

(Provides PILOT to Exeter for state owned properties. Imposes no duty on Exeter to protect these properties. Requires payments to be used to create a police department or defray town expenses used to provide police protection.)

01/18/2023 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Resolution No. [5324](#)

BY Chippendale, Place, Rea, Nardone, Quattrocchi, Vella-Wilkinson, McNamara, Cardillo, J. Brien, Noret

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$180,000 FOR THE RHODE ISLAND STATE CONSERVATION COMMITTEE AND ITS THREE

CONSERVATION DISTRICTS {LC718/1} (This resolution would authorize the appropriation of the sum of \$180,000 to the RI State Conservation Committee and its three Conservation Districts.)

02/01/2023 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5475](#)

(By request)

BY Carson, Edwards, Kazarian, Caldwell, Donovan, Craven, Cortvriend, Alzate, O'Brien ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- SALES AND USE TAXES -- LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION {LC1317/1} (Removes the exemption from the state hotel tax for residences rented in their entirety.)

02/08/2023 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Resolution No. [5479](#)

BY Speakman, Cortvriend, Casimiro, Casey, Hull, Fogarty, Nardone, Noret, Dawson, Finkelman ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$15,200,000 TO BE USED TO PURCHASE PFAS-FREE FIREFIGHTING GEAR {LC1365/1} (Authorizes the appropriation of the sum of \$15,200,000 to cities and towns to purchase firefighter and rescue personnel protective gear which is PFAS free.)

02/08/2023 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5524](#)

BY Azzinaro, Kennedy

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE -- RHODE ISLAND VETERANS' HOME {LC1259/1} (Reduces the assessment against a resident's net income from eighty percent (80%) to fifty percent (50%).)

02/10/2023 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5788](#)

BY McEntee, Fogarty, Caldwell, Vella-Wilkinson, Spears

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT {LC1976/1} (Removes requirement for payment of 5% hotel tax to the Greater Providence-Warwick Convention and Visitors Bureau and redistributes the tax to the regional tourism district where hotel or residential unit is located.)

02/22/2023 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5800](#)

BY McEntee, Cortvriend, Phillips, Edwards, Caldwell, Dawson, Finkelman, J. Lombardi, Vella-Wilkinson, Batista

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- STATEWIDE TANGIBLE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION {LC1779/1} (Exempts up to a maximum of \$250,000 of tangible personal property of businesses from taxation. Provides reimbursement to cities, towns, fire districts from state revenues, for the amount of lost taxes resulting from the exemption.)

02/22/2023 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5976](#)

BY Giraldo, Voas, Morales

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- STATE AID {LC2031/1}

(Includes municipal detention facility corporations as exempt from taxation, and requires that an amount equal to twenty-seven percent (27%) of all tax that would have been collected if the property was taxable be paid to the municipality annually.)

03/01/2023 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5999](#)

(Office of Veterans Services)

BY Fellela, Shallcross Smith, Place, Serpa, Azzinaro, Rea, Messier

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PARKS AND RECREATIONAL AREAS -- GENERAL

PROVISIONS {LC2188/1} (Provides free admission to any state owned recreational facility for Gold Star families with exceptions for docking slips.)

03/01/2023 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

~~House Bill No. [6004](#)~~

~~(City of Providence)~~

~~BY Slater, Diaz, Sanchez, Hull~~

~~ENTITLED,~~ AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC FINANCE -- STATE FUNDS {LC2383/1}

~~(Allocates, to city of Providence, a portion of state income taxes for new employees of not-for-profit healthcare institutions and private educational institutions to assist the city's ability to absorb desirable and necessary growth in such institutions.)~~

~~03/01/2023 Introduced, referred to House Finance~~

~~04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration~~

House Bill No. [6013](#)

BY Lima, Place, Vella-Wilkinson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION

{LC2158/1} (Removes state-owned property from the exemption from local property taxes.)

03/01/2023 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [6014](#)

BY Rea, Shallcross Smith, Chippendale, Newberry, Place, Nardone, Sanchez, McNamara, Noret, Cardillo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- STATEWIDE TANGIBLE PROPERTY

TAX EXEMPTION {LC1916/1} (Phases in a permanent tax exemption over 5 years for tangible personal property of businesses of less than \$250,000 of assessed value. Provides reimbursement from state revenues for the amount of lost tax revenue resulting from the exemption.)

03/01/2023 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Resolution No. [6021](#)

BY Morales, Sanchez, Hull, Henries, Speakman, DeSimone

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$50,000 TO THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR FIRE ACADEMY TRAINING PROGRAMS AT CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL IN PROVIDENCE {LC2042/1} (This joint resolution would authorize the appropriation of the sum of \$50,000 to the Rhode Island Department of Education for Firefighter I student courses at Central High School in Providence.)

03/01/2023 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Resolution No. [6210](#)

BY Slater, Diaz

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$500,000 TO WATERFIRE PROVIDENCE {LC2685/1} (Authorizes the appropriation of the sum of \$500,000 to WaterFire Providence.)

03/24/2023 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Resolution No. [6244](#)

BY Vella-Wilkinson, McEntee, Spears, Noret, Azzinaro, Solomon, Casimiro, Perez, Batista, Shanley

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$72,000 TO THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS (RI VFW) FOR THE RI VETERANS SERVICES OFFICERS (VSO) PROGRAM {LC2715/1} (Authorizes the appropriation of the sum of \$72,000 to the Rhode Island Department of Veterans Of Foreign Wars (RI VFW) for the RI Veterans Services Officers (VSO) Program.)

03/30/2023 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Resolution No. [6261](#)

BY Chippendale

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$1,000,000 FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS TO THE TOWN OF FOSTER TO RESOLVE COVID-INFLATED COSTS IMPACTING CONSTRUCTION ADDRESSING PUBLIC SAFETY, BUILDING CODE AND ADA COMPLIANCE ISSUES WITH THE TOWN'S POLICE STATION AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMPLEX {LC2607/1} (Authorizes the appropriation of the sum of \$1,000,000 to the Town of Foster for relief in combating elevated COVID-related construction costs to the Town's Police Station and Public Safety Complex.)

04/05/2023 Introduced, referred to House Finance

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

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